

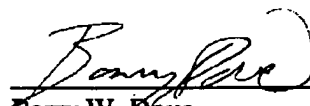
REMARKS

- (1) Claims 3-9, 11-14, 23-25, 27, and 33-36 are pending in the present application. Applicant cancelled claims 10, 26, 28-32, and 37 herein.
- (2) Applicant submits that independent claims 3-9, 11-14, 23-25, 27, and 33-36 are clearly in condition for allowance, as will be discussed herein below. The accompanying remarks are necessary and were not presented earlier because Applicant did not fully understand the nature of Examiner's position until Applicant was advised in detail of that position by the additional supporting reasoning provided in the final rejection dated November 10, 2004.
- (3) Claims 10 and 28-32 have been rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 112, second paragraph, as being indefinite for failing to particularly point out and distinctly claim the subject matter which applicant regards as the invention. Applicant has cancelled these claims.
- (4) Claims 3-9, 11-14, 23-15, 27, and 33-36 were allowed in the Final Office Action. Because only these claims remain pending, please move this case forward to issuance.
- (5) In view of the above, Applicant respectfully submits that this response complies with 37 CFR § 1.116. Applicant further submit that the claims are in condition for allowance. No new matter has been added by this amendment. If the Examiner should have any questions, please contact Applicant's attorney at the number listed below. No fee is believed due in connection with this filing. However, in the event that there are any fees due, please charge the same, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 50-1065.

Respectfully submitted,

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